

Abstract of the Disclosure

5 An interactive television program guide
system with program series reminder and recording
capabilities is provided. The system allows a user to
10 set a reminder or schedule a recording for a single
episode or for each episode of a program series. In
addition, other options may be provided that allow the
user to determine, for example, whether to schedule
reminders/recordings for episodes on all channels on
15 which the program airs or only on a selected channels,
whether to schedule reminders/recordings for all
episodes including reruns or only new episodes, whether
to schedule reminders/recordings for network or
syndicated episodes, and whether to schedule
20 reminders/recordings for episodes on all days or only
on selected days of the week. Before the scheduled
broadcast time of each episode of each selected program
series, the system sends a reminder message to the user
that reminds the user of the program episode or sends a
25 record command to a videocassette recorder to initiate
recording of the episode. The system allows a user to
view a list of all currently requested program
reminders and scheduled program recordings. The user
may update, change, or cancel any entry in either list
or the system may automatically update the lists to

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